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REMARKS

The undersigned requests a personal interview with the Examiner in charge of this application.

Claim 1 was objected to because of a number of informalities. The suggestion made by the Examiner to overcome the problems has been adopted.

Claims 1-4 were rejected as being unpatentable over Soileau.

Claims 5-8 were rejected as being unpatentable over Soileau in view of Alessio.

Claims 9-13 were rejected as being unpatentable over the above references and further in view of Blake and Roebken.

Soileau discloses a luminaire with a mesh screen covering. Fig. 1 does show a number of clips.

Alessio has an animal cage and was cited for the use of a heat lamp within the cage.

Blake shows a luminaire with a hinge and was cited for latches permanently attached to a refractor. In the present invention, the fasteners are permanently attached to the screen guard, where it appears that in Blake the latches are permanently attached to the refractor or reflector. Also, in the present invention, the fasteners are welded to the screen guard and therefore are not moveable as they are in Blake.

Roebken shows a therapeutic lamp and was cited for the pem-type fastener and an auxiliary reflector. In the present invention, a flat, circular deflector plate is mounted on

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but spaced from the screen guard, and is wider than the bulb (see Fig. 9 of applicant's drawings). In this reference, the auxiliary reflector is mounted right on the screen guard and is no wider than the bulb as clearly shown in Fig. 3.

In view of the excellent art cited by the Examiner, claim 1 has been extensively amended and all remaining claims have been canceled.

Claim 1 as amended recites all of the features noted above not shown or suggested in the art of record, including the welded fasteners, the flat deflector plate wider than the bulb, and the deflector plate being separated from the screen guard.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that claim 1 is drawn to patentable subject matter and should be allowed.

A conscientious effort has been made to place this application in condition for immediate allowance. The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned or Mr. Kroll if further changes are required to obtain allowance of the application.

A favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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